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TITLE:			EXAMINER:	
Modification of Biopolymers for Improved Drug Delivery			Naff, David M	

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner of Patents for a **three-month** extension of time to extend the period for responding to the Office Action to **February 12, 2004**.

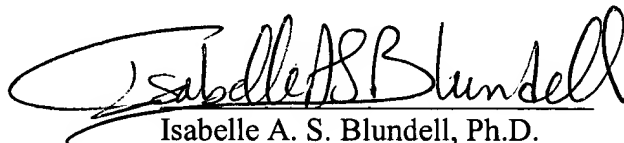
AUTHORIZATION FOR PAYMENT OF FEES

Applicants authorize the payment of fees due with this submission as designated below or of any additional fee to Deposit Account **07-1074**.

Description	37 CFR §	Fee Code	Fee
3-month extension	1.17(a)(3)	1253/2253	\$950.00
		Total	\$950.00

Applicants believe that all issues raised in the Office Action have been addressed in this reply and kindly request favorable reconsideration of the instant application.

Respectfully submitted,



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